

Amendments to the Specification are as follows:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 12 and ending on page 2, line 4 as follows:

A portable information terminal represented by PDA generally has a coordinate input device for selecting a menu and inputting data by directly operating the display screen such as a liquid crystal display panel, etc. by a pen, a finger, etc. Such a coordinate input device normally has a transparent coordinate input device formed on the liquid crystal display panel and ~~inputting the data~~ is inputted by indicating the display of the liquid crystal display panel. As is well known, the transparent coordinate input device of a resistance film type particularly widely used among the transparent coordinate input device has a glass plate forming a transparent resistance film called ITO (Indium Tin Oxide) on its surface on the liquid crystal display panel side, and a soft transparent resin film such as PET (polyethylene terephthalate film), etc. forming a similar transparent resistance film on its surface on the operation side. This transparent coordinate input device is a flat panel device made by spacing these two transparent resistance films from each other by an insulating spacer, etc., and oppositely arranging these two transparent resistance films.

Please amend the paragraph on page 2, lines 5-20 as follows:

When an input operation is performed by pressing the surface of the transparent coordinate input device by a pen or a finger in such a transparent coordinate input device, it is known that the transparent resin film on the operation side is slightly recessed and a rainbow-colored annular interference fringe is generated with the pressing portion as a center. When such an interference fringe is generated, visibility of the liquid crystal display panel is reduced during every operation of the transparent coordinate input device so that it is difficult to perform a smooth and comfortable input operation. Such an interference fringe is particularly notably generated as the size of the transparent coordinate input device is increased. Therefore, an interference fringe countermeasure has been strongly desired ~~by~~ due to the increase in the display screen size of the recent portable information terminal.